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General Assembly

Sixty-second session

9 a.m. — 6th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Valdis Zatlers, President of the Republic of Latvia
2. Address by Her Excellency Mrs. Micheline Calmy-Rey, President of the Swiss Confederation
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Sidi Mohamed Ould Cheikh Abdellahi, President of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania
4. Address by Her Excellency Mrs. Tarja Halonen, President of the Republic of Finland
5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Gurbanguly Berdymukhammedov, President of Turkmenistan
6. Address by His Excellency Mr. Valdas Adamkus, President of the Republic of Lithuania
7. Address by His Excellency Mr. Levy Patrick Mwanawasa, President of the Republic of Zambia
8. Address by His Excellency Mr. Elías Antonio Saca González, President of the Republic of El Salvador
9. Address by His Excellency Mr. Festus G. Mogae, President of the Republic of Botswana
10. Address by His Excellency Mr. René Garcia Préval, President of the Republic of Haiti
11. Address by His Excellency Mr. Laurent Gbagbo, President of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire
12. Address by His Excellency Mr. Fradique Bandeira Melo de Menezes, President of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe
13. Continuation of the general debate [8]

    Address by His Excellency Mr. Nuri Kamel Al-Maliki, Prime Minister of the Republic of Iraq

    Cuba

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3 p.m. . . . . 7th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Majesty King Mswati III, Head of State of the Kingdom of Swaziland
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Hugo Chávez Frías, President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Željko Komšić, Chairman of the Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina
4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Armando Emílio Guebuza, President of the Republic of Mozambique
5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Tassos Papadopoulos, President of the Republic of Cyprus
6. Address by His Excellency Mr. Umaru Yar'Adua, President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
7. Address by His Excellency Mr. Mikheil Saakashvili, President of Georgia
8. Address by His Excellency Mr. Robert Mugabe, President of the Republic of Zimbabwe
9. Address by His Excellency Mr. Marc Ravalomanana, President of the Republic of Madagascar
10. Address by His Excellency Mr. Evo Morales Ayma, President of the Constitutional Republic of Bolivia
11. Address by His Excellency Mr. Václav Klaus, President of the Czech Republic
12. Address by His Excellency Mr. Rafael Correa, President of the Republic of Ecuador
13. Address by His Excellency Mr. Lech Kaczyński, President of the Republic of Poland
14. Continuation of the general debate . . . . . [8]

    Address by His Excellency Mr. Jens Stoltenberg, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Norway

    Address by His Excellency The Honourable Mr. Lawrence Gonzi, Prime Minister of the Republic of Malta

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. Pattern of conferences
2. Executive session

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 26 September 2007

Group of 77 (Nineteenth Annual Meeting of Senior Officials)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Group of Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDCs) (at the ambassadorial level) (on the review of the draft Ministerial Communiqué; and other matters)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Room S-770

OIC Committee on Palestine (at the ministerial level)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

OIC Contact Group on Jammu and Kashmir (at the ministerial level)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Group of the Least Developed Countries (LDC Ministerial Meeting) (report on the election of the Coordinating Bureau; implementation of the Brussels Programme of Action — The way forward; and other matters)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Consultative meeting on the forthcoming Summit of the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ethiopia)

4–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Other activities

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Wednesday, 26 September 2007

Briefing by the President of Ghana on the ongoing preparations for the twelfth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, scheduled to be held in Ghana (20–25 April 2008) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ghana and the UNCTAD secretariat)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Karma Tenzing, New York Office of UNCTAD (tel. 1 (212) 963-6896).]

Panel discussion on "Saving 77 million by 2015—Advancing the health of women and children" (organized by the Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health and co-sponsored by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the World Health Organization (WHO))

From 4.15 to 5.30 p.m. in Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Marta Seoane, Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health, WHO (tel. 1 (212) 297-5237; e-mail seoanem@who.int).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Wednesday, 26 September 2007

Room S-226

11 a.m.	H.E. Mr. Rohitha Bogollagama, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sri Lanka
12 noon	Press briefing by the Spokesperson

Forthcoming official meetings

Thursday, 27 September 2007

General Assembly

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9 a.m. . . . . 8th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Paul Kagame, President of the Republic of Rwanda
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Stjepan Mesić, President of the Republic of Croatia
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Boris Tadić, President of the Republic of Serbia
4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Álvaro Uribe Vélez, President of the Republic of Colombia
5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete, President of the United Republic of Tanzania
6. Address by His Excellency Mr. Leonel Fernández Reyna, President of the Dominican Republic
7. Address by His Excellency Mr. Joseph Kabila Kabange, President of the Democratic Republic of the Congo
8. Address by His Excellency Mr. José Ramos-Horta, President of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste
9. Address by His Excellency Mr. Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo, President of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea
10. Address by His Excellency Mr. Oscar Berger Perdomo, President of the Republic of Guatemala
11. Address by His Excellency Mr. Paul Biya, President of the Republic of Cameroon
12. Continuation of the general debate . . . . . [8]

    Address by His Excellency Mr. Jan Peter Balkenende, Prime Minister and Minister for General Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

    Address by His Excellency Sheikh Mohammad Al-Sabah Al-Salem Al-Sabah, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Kuwait

3 p.m. . . . . 9th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. João Bernardo Vieira, President of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Emanuel Mori, President of the Federated States of Micronesia

3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alhaji Ahmad Tejan Kabbah, President of the Republic of Sierra Leone

4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Ludwig Scotty, President of the Republic of Nauru

5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Ahmed Abdallah Sambi, President of the Union of the Comoros

6. Continuation of the general debate . . . . . [8]

Address by His Excellency Mr. Janez Janša, Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia

Address by His Excellency Mr. Fakhruddin Ahmed, Chief Adviser of the Caretaker Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Address by His Excellency Mr. Albert Pintat, Prime Minister of the Principality of Andorra

Address by His Excellency Mr. Surayud Chulanont, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand

Address by His Excellency Sir Michael Somare, MP, Prime Minister of Papua New Guinea

Address by His Excellency Mr. Sali Berisha, Prime Minister of the Republic of Albania

Address by His Excellency Mr. Nguyen Tan Dung, Prime Minister for the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam

Address by His Excellency Mr. Martin Nduwimana, Vice-President of the Republic of Burundi

Address by His Excellency Mr. Joseph Nyumah Boakai, Vice-President of the Republic of Liberia

Address by Her Excellency Ms. Aja Isatou Njiesaidy, Vice-President of the Republic of the Gambia

Address by His Excellency Mr. Elias Camsek Chin, Vice-President of the Republic of Palau

Main Committees

First Committee

The First Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Thursday, 4 October 2007, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4, to consider its tentative programme of work and timetable (A/C.1/62/CRP.1), a copy of which can be obtained in room S-2977; or by sending an e-mail request to cherniavsky@un.org or serrano@un.org.

The Committee will begin its substantive work by holding a general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items from Monday, 8, to Tuesday, 16 October 2007. The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to kindly contact Ms. Emer Herity (room S-2977E; tel. 1 (917) 367-5816; e-mail herity@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded to Mr. Jarmo Sareva, Secretary of the First Committee (c/o Francine Leong (room S-2977; tel. 1 (212) 963-4389; fax 1 (212) 963-5305; e-mail leong@un.org)).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its 1st meeting on Thursday, 4 October 2007, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. The agenda for the meeting will be as follows: Allocation of agenda items; organization of work (A/C.4/62/1, A/C.4/62/L.1 and A/C.4/62/INF/1)[1]; and aide-mémoire on requests for hearing (1/07)[2].

The Committee will begin its consideration of the cluster of decolonization items on Monday, 8 October, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to all decolonization items are kindly requested to notify Ms. Laurence Niosi (room S-2977JJ; tel. 1 (917) 367-9324; e-mail niosi@un.org).

Delegations are also reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) are to be submitted to Mr. Saijin Zhang, Secretary of the Committee (room S-2977K; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

[1]To be issued.

[2]To be distributed at the meeting.

Second Committee

General debate

The Second Committee will begin its general debate on Monday, 8 October 2007, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2. The Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Mr. Sha Zukang, will address the Committee.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general debate and for all other items allocated to the Second Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact, *in writing*, to the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Dolores Lois (fax 1 (212) 963-5935; or e-mail lois@un.org)).

Composition of delegations

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, should be submitted to Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950E; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Third Committee

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items allocated to the Third Committee is now open. Delegations are kindly requested to consult the draft programme of work of the Third Committee (A/C.3/62/L.1) prior to contacting the Secretariat with their request for inscription on the list. For the period 24 to 28 September 2007, requests for inscription should be sent *by fax only* to 1 (212) 963-5935.

The Committee will begin its work on Monday, 8 October, at 10 a.m. The Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Mr. Sha Zukang, will address the Committee during the morning session.

Participants

Delegations that have not submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are reminded to convey such information to the Secretary of the Third Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (room S-2950D; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Friday, 5 October 2007, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to consider its proposed programme of work. The status of preparedness of documentation for the Fifth Committee during the sixty-second session of the General Assembly will be issued as document A/C.5/62/L.1.

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Mr. Movses Abelian (room S-2633A; fax 1 (212) 963-0360).

Information on the work of the Fifth Committee during the sixty-second session of the General Assembly, including the tentative and provisional programme of work, is available at <www.un.org/ga/fifth>.

Informal briefings

Informal briefings (closed) will be held as follows:

Friday, 5 October 2007, immediately following the organizational meeting of the Fifth Committee, in Conference Room 3:

Reform and management of the United Nations (by Ms. Alicia Bárcena, Under-Secretary-General for Management)

Monday, 8 October 2007, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3:

Administration of justice (by Ms. Alicia Bárcena, Under-Secretary-General for Management); and

Budgeting in the United Nations (by Mr. Warren Sach, Assistant Secretary-General, Controller)

Tuesday, 9 October 2007, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3:

Enterprise resource planning (ERP)/Information and communication technology (ICT) (by Mr. Choi Soon-hong, Chief Information Technology Officer, Assistant Secretary-General); and

Capital master plan (by Mr. Michael Adlerstein, Executive Director, Assistant Secretary-General, CMP).

Sixth Committee

The Sixth Committee will hold its 1st meeting on Monday, 8 October 2007, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The provisional programme of work for the sixty-second session, as well as other relevant information relating to the organization of work and the status of documentation, is available on the Web site of the Sixth Committee and is regularly updated (<www.un.org/ga/sixth/62/62_session.shtml>). The note by the Secretariat on the organization of work will be issued in document A/C.6/62/L.1.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Sixth Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Marianne Sooksatan (tel. 1 (212) 963-5378; fax 1 (212) 963-1963)). Please note that in the first week, the Committee will deal with agenda items 137 (Administration of Justice at the United Nations) and 108 (Measures to eliminate international terrorism).

Composition of delegations

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (room S-3460; fax 1 (212) 963-1963).

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Informal consultations on agenda item 79 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 79 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea) will be held from Monday, 1, to Friday, 5 October 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal consultations on agenda item 79 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea: Sustainable fisheries)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 79 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments) will be held from Monday, 8, to Thursday, 11 October 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Informal consultation

There will be an informal consultation on the preliminary draft of the UNIFEM biennial support budget on Friday, 5 October 2007, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room 5. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

Executive Board

Fourth session

Third resumed session

The third resumed fourth session (closed) of the Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advance of Women (INSTRAW) will be held on Monday, 1 October 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5; and on Tuesday, 2 October, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

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High-level Dialogue on Interreligious and Intercultural Understanding and Cooperation for Peace (4–5 October 2007)

The list of speakers for the plenary meetings of the High-level Dialogue on Interreligious and Intercultural Understanding and Cooperation for Peace is open. Delegations wishing to participate in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the List of Speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940B; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; fax 1 (212) 963-3783; or e-mail dizon@un.org).

Delegations are further reminded that statements should not exceed seven minutes each.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Informal ASEAN Ministerial Meeting

Thursday, 27 September 2007, from 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 8.

Ministerial meeting of the Central American Integration System (SICA) and MERCOSUR (organized by the Permanent Mission of Guatemala)

Thursday, 27 September 2007, from 9.30 to 10 a.m. in Conference Room 5.

[For further information, please contact Ms. María José del Águila Castillo, Permanent Mission of Guatemala (tel. 1 (212) 679-4760, ext. 19).]

Group of 77 (Thirty-first Annual Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs)

Thursday, 27 September 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Group of 77 (presentation by a coalition of NGOs, led by a Greenpeace representative, on "The state of oceans and its impact on developing countries")

Wednesday, 3 October 2007, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

OIC Contact Group on Somalia (at the ministerial level)

Thursday, 27 September 2007, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 3.

OIC Contact Group on Sierra Leone (at the ministerial level)

Thursday, 27 September 2007, from 4 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Briefing on the upcoming informal consultations on agenda item 19 of the sixty-second session of the General Assembly (The situation in Afghanistan) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Germany)

Friday, 28 September 2007, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

Non-Aligned Movement: Ministerial meeting of the Coordinating Bureau

Friday, 28 September 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Sixth Meeting of Commonwealth Foreign Ministers (convened by the Commonwealth Secretariat)

Friday, 28 September 2007, at 2.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Tania Tupou, Commonwealth Secretariat (tel. 1 (212) 599-4425; e-mail comsec@onecommonwealth.org).]

Twenty-ninth Meeting of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the Group of Fifteen (G-15) (presided by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran)

Friday, 28 September 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

UNITAR Migration and Development Seminar Series: Seminar on migration and ageing (in collaboration with UNFPA, IOM and the MacArthur Foundation)

Monday, 1 October 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Sarah Rosengärtner, UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021; e-mail rosengaertner@un.org); or visit <www.unitarny.org/en/migdevseries.html>.]

UNITAR English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

Monday, 1 October 2007, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B;

Tuesday, 2 October 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B; and

Wednesday, 3 October 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Laura Fähndrich, UNITAR (tel. 1 (212) 963-9196; e-mail faehndrich@un.org).]

Forthcoming other activities

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High-level meeting on the Tenth Anniversary of the Entry into Force of the Chemical Weapons Convention (organized by the Permanent Missions of the Netherlands and Poland)

Thursday, 27 September 2007, from 9.30 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Mark van der Velden, Permanent Mission of the Netherlands (tel. 1 (646) 515-2926); or Ms. Katarzyna Biernat, Permanent Mission of Poland (tel. 1 (917) 969-0733).]

Ministerial meeting on "Foreign policy and global health", organized by the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of France and Norway (an initiative launched in 2006 with Brazil, Indonesia, Senegal, South Africa and Thailand) (in the presence of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Director-General of the World Health Organization)

Thursday, 27 September 2007, from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[Member States, at the ministerial level, are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Daniel Hirsch, Permanent Mission of Norway (tel. 1 (212) 310-1542; e-mail dahi@mfa.no); or Mr. Laurent Pic, Permanent Mission of France (tel. 1 (212) 702-4966; e-mail laurent.pic@diplomatie.gouv.fr).]

Ministerial meeting on "Death penalty" (organized by the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of Italy and Portugal)

Friday, 28 September 2007, at 8.30 a.m. in Conference Room 4 (closed meeting).

[For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Italy (Mr. Stefano Gatti (tel. 1 (646) 840-5326; e-mail stefano.gatti@esteri.it); or Mr. Roberto Storaci (tel. 1 (646) 840-5347; e-mail roberto.storaci@esteri.it)).]

Special event on the theme "A safe city is a just city", in observance of World Habitat Day 2007 (organized by the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat))

Monday, 1 October 2007, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please visit the following Web sites: <www.worldhabitatday2007.org/> and <www.unhabitat.org>.]

Ministerial meeting to promote the "Paris Principles" presented to the Paris Conference "Free children from war" (February 2007) (co-chaired by the Minister of State for Foreign Affairs and Human Rights of France and the Deputy Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF))

Monday, 1 October 2007, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Céline Giuliani (e-mail celine.giuliani@diplomatie.gouv.fr); for press enquiries, Mr. Patrick McCormick, UNICEF (e-mail pmccormick@unicef.org); and for any other enquiries Ms. Rebecca Symington, UNICEF (e-mail rsymington@unicef.org).]

Briefing by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) on the latest report on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system

Friday, 5 October 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend.]

Expert Group Meeting: Innovative Finance for Sustainable Development (organized by the Division for Sustainable Development and the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Thursday, 18 October 2007, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 2 to 5.15 p.m. in Conference Room 7; and

Friday, 19 October 2007, from 10 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. and from 1.45 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please visit the following Web site: <www.un.org/esa/sustdev/sdissues/finance/egm2007/index.htm>.]

Briefing on "Special representative of the Secretary-General on violence against children" (organized by the Permanent Missions of Portugal (on behalf of the European Union) and Uruguay and the NGO Advisory Council)

Friday, 19 October 2007, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Rita Giao (tel. 1 (212) 759-9444, ext. 802; e-mail rgiao@missionofportugal.org).]

Forthcoming meetings held away from Headquarters

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
Fifth special meeting
United Nations Office at Nairobi

The Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism will hold its fifth special meeting with international, regional and subregional organizations, on the theme "Prevention of terrorist movement and effective border security", from 29 to 31 October 2007, at the Conference Centre of the United Nations Office at Nairobi (UNON). Member States are invited to participate in the meeting as observers and to use the registration form on the Web site of the Committee. For more information about the meeting, please visit <www.un.org/sc/ctc>.

Announcements

Live broadcasts of the general debate of the General Assembly

The general debate of the sixty-second session of the General Assembly (25–28 September, 1–3 October 2007) will be broadcast live and on-demand over the Internet (in English and original language). The Webcast will be accessible at the following address: <www.un.org/webcast>.

Delegations are invited to send by e-mail an advance electronic copy of their statement(s), in one or more of the United Nations official languages, for timely and accurate posting of the text on the United Nations Web site. The statements should be sent to: webcast@un.org and to newscentre@un.org.

General Assembly

List of candidates

Delegations are kindly reminded that the list of candidates (an informal working paper) for the sixty-second session of the General Assembly and other information on elections and candidatures are available on CandiWeb at the following address: <https://secln069.un.org/candiweb>. Instructions to access the Web page can be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-2337 or via e-mail to santomauro@un.org.

Credentials of representatives to the sixty-second session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the sixty-second regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (room S-3420F or S-3420S; tel. 1 (212) 963-5358 or 963-5377).

Security Council

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.html>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help

interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

Access to back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*

Back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: <www.un.org/ga/search/journal.asp> and <www.un.org/french/ga/search/journal.asp>.

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 25 September 2007

Security Council

5748th meeting

The situation in Chad, the Central African Republic and the subregion

Report of the Secretary-General on Chad and the Central African Republic (S/2007/488)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited His Excellency Mr. Come Zoumara, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Central African Republic, and His Excellency Mr. Ahmad Allam-Mi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Chad, at their requests, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2007/563 prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2007/563) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2007/563) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1778 (2007).

5749th meeting

Peace and security in Africa

Letter dated 19 September 2007 from the Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2007/552)

The meeting was presided over by His Excellency Mr. Nicolas Sarkozy, President of the French Republic, in his capacity as the President of the Security Council.

The agenda was adopted without objection.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to His Excellency Mr. Alpha Oumar Konaré, Chairperson of the Commission of the African Union.

The Secretary-General, His Excellency Mr. Ban Ki-moon, made a statement.

The Security Council was addressed by His Excellency Mr. John Agyekum Kufuor, President of the Republic of Ghana; His Excellency Mr. Thabo Mbeki, President of the Republic of South Africa; His Excellency Mr. Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, President of the Republic of Indonesia; His Excellency Mr. Ivan Gašparovič, President of the Slovak Republic; His Excellency Mr. George W. Bush, President of the United States of America; His Excellency Mr. Romano Prodi, Prime Minister of the Republic of Italy; His Highness Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al-Thani, Emir of the State of Qatar; His Excellency Mr. Martín Torrijos, President of the Republic of Panama; His Excellency Mr. Guy Verhofstadt, Prime Minister of Belgium; His Excellency Mr. Denis Sassou Nguesso, President of the Republic of the Congo; His Excellency Mr. Sergey V. Lavrov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation; His Excellency Mr. Yang Jiechi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China; His Excellency Mr. José Antonio García Belaunde, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Peru; His Excellency Mr. Kim Howells, Minister of State at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the President of the French Republic.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Mr. Konaré.

General Assembly

Sixty-second session

4th plenary meeting

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization: presentation by the Secretary-General of his annual report (A/62/1) . . . . . [109]

The Secretary-General made a statement.

Opening of the general debate

The President of the General Assembly made a statement.

The General Assembly was informed that as in previous sessions that there would be a time limit of up to 15 minutes for each statement.

Address by His Excellency Mr. Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva, President of the Federative Republic of Brazil

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Address by His Excellency Mr. George W. Bush, President of the United States of America

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Address by His Excellency Mr. John Agyekum Kufuor, President of the Republic of Ghana

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Address by His Excellency Mr. Nursultan Nazarbayev, President of the Republic of Kazakhstan

His Excellency Mr. Nursultan Nazarbayev, President of the Republic of Kazakhstan, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Mr. José Manuel Zelaya Rosales, President of the Republic of Honduras

His Excellency Mr. José Manuel Zelaya Rosales, President of the Republic of Honduras, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Highness Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al-Thani, Amir of the State of Qatar

His Highness Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al-Thani, Amir of the State of Qatar, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Mr. Nicolas Sarkozy, President of the French Republic

His Excellency Mr. Nicolas Sarkozy, President of the French Republic, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Mr. Daniel Ortega Saavedra, President of the Republic of Nicaragua

His Excellency Mr. Daniel Ortega Saavedra, President of the Republic of Nicaragua, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Mr. Branko Crvenkovski, President of The former Yugoslav of Macedonia

His Excellency Mr. Branko Crvenkovski, President of The former Yugoslav of Macedonia, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Mr. Bingu Wa Mutharika, President of the Republic of Malawi

His Excellency Mr. Bingu Wa Mutharika, President of the Republic of Malawi, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by Her Excellency Mrs. Michelle Bachelet Jeria, President of the Republic of Chile

Her Excellency Mrs. Michelle Bachelet Jeria, President of the Republic of Chile, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Mr. José Socrates, Prime Minister of the Portuguese Republic

His Excellency Mr. José Socrates, Prime Minister of the Portuguese Republic, addressed the General Assembly.

5th plenary meeting

The summary of the 5th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2007/187).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966

Signature: Kazakhstan (25 September 2007)

Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 18 December 2002

Signature: Kazakhstan (25 September 2007)

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. New York, 13 December 2006

Signature: Estonia (25 September 2007)

Signature: Madagascar (25 September 2007)

Signature: Mauritius (25 September 2007)

Signature: Philippines (25 September 2007)

Signature: Swaziland (25 September 2007)

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. New York, 13 December 2006

Signature: Gabon (25 September 2007)

Signature: Madagascar (25 September 2007)

Signature: Mauritius (25 September 2007)

Signature: Swaziland (25 September 2007)

International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance. New York, 20 December 2006

Signature: Denmark (25 September 2007)

Signature: Gabon (25 September 2007)

Signature: Panama (25 September 2007)

Signature: Swaziland (25 September 2007)

United Nations Convention on the Use of Electronic Communications in International Contracts. New York, 23 November 2005

Signature: Panama (25 September 2007)

Signature: Philippines (25 September 2007)

United Nations Convention against Corruption. New York, 31 October 2003

Ratification: Sweden (25 September 2007)[1]

International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism. New York, 13 April 2005

Ratification: Ukraine (25 September 2007)[1]

Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants. Stockholm, 22 May 2001

Ratification: Ukraine (25 September 2007)[1]

Treaty event

Multilateral Treaty Framework: An Invitation to Universal Participation

Focus 2007: Towards Universal Participation and Implementation — A Comprehensive Legal Framework for Peace, Development and Human Rights

United Nations Headquarters, New York (25-27 September and 1-2 October 2007)

The Treaty Event will continue *today*, 26 September 2007 at Headquarters, in a special room located on the ground floor of the General Assembly Building (near the Delegates' Entrance in the Kuwaiti Boat Area). Consistent with the Organization's objective of consolidating and advancing the international rule of law, this year's theme, "Towards Universal Participation and Implementation — A Comprehensive Legal Framework for Peace, Development and Human Rights", will assist in focusing attention on the important goal of moving towards universal participation and implementation and will target those areas directly affecting human beings, their security, environment, development and human dignity.

States intending to sign or deposit instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General may wish to inform their Governments accordingly for the purpose of completing the requisite domestic procedures.

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

The list of treaties being highlighted during Focus 2007 has been circulated by Depositary Notification C.N.821.2007, dated 20 August 2007. As is customary, it will be possible to undertake treaty actions with regard to any treaty deposited with the Secretary-General, during the Treaty Event.

The publication Multilateral Treaty Framework: An Invitation to Universal Participation — Focus 2007: Towards Universal Participation and Implementation — A Comprehensive Legal Framework for Peace, Development and Human Rights has been compiled and circulated to all Permanent Missions in New York. This publication contains summaries of key provisions, relevant final clauses and status of the treaties being highlighted at Focus 2007.

Further information concerning the Focus 2007 Treaty Event is available on the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site (<http://untreaty.un.org>) and at the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs (contact: Ms. Sherry Holbrook; or Mr. Bradford Smith (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047)).

Information concerning the requirements for full powers and the deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession (including model instruments) can be found in the *Treaty Handbook*, which is also available in the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site.

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *September 2007* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Zimbabwe
H.E. Mr. Boniface Chidyausiku

Asian States:
Philippines
H.E. Mr. Hilario Davide Jr.

Eastern European States:
Montenegro
H.E. Mr. Nebojša Kaludjerović

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Paraguay
H.E. Mr. Juan Alfredo Buffa

Western European and other States:
Switzerland
H.E. Mr. Peter Maurer

Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on Tuesday, 25 September 2007.

Symbol	*Main title*
General Assembly	**Documents**
	Sixty-second session
A/62/252	Allocation of agenda items for the sixty-second session of the General Assembly — Adopted by the General Assembly at its 3rd plenary meeting, on 21 September 2007 — Plenary meetings [A C E F R S]
A/62/281 (Part I)/Add.1	Item 138 of the provisional agenda — Report on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services — Report on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007 [A C E F R S]
A/62/293	Item 72 (b) of the provisional agenda — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Strengthening the role of the United Nations in enhancing the effectiveness of the principle of periodic and genuine elections and the promotion of democratization — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/62/296	Item 12 of the provisional agenda — Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/62/297	Item 68 of the provisional agenda — Promotion and protection of the rights of children — The girl child — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/62/302	Item 12 of the provisional agenda — Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/62/314	Item 72 of the provisional agenda — Report of the International Criminal Court — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/62/327	Item 17 of the provisional agenda — The situation in the Middle East — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/62/331	Item 34 of the provisional agenda — Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories — The occupied Syrian Golan — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/62/348	Item 40 — Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples — Letter dated 21 September 2007 from the Permanent Representative of Morocco to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

Security Council	Documents
S/PRST/2007/34*	Reissued for technical reasons [F (only)]

Economic and Social Council

	Documents
	Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters Third session
E/C.18/2007/9	Treatment of Islamic financial instruments under the United Nations Model Double Taxation Convention between Developed and Developing Countries — Note by the Working Group on Treatment of Islamic Financial Instruments [A C E F R S]

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